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**Statement by State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster  
on death of Weston School Principal John Klang**

MADISON—State Superintendent Elizabeth Burmaster issued the following statement related to the death of today of Weston School Principal John Klang.

“I am deeply saddened to hear of the loss of a brave educator, John Klang.

“As a parent, dairy farmer, long-time school board member, educator, and principal, John Klang gave his all to the Weston school community. Principal Klang gave his life while protecting the lives of his students and his colleagues. All Wisconsin holds an expression of gratitude in our hearts to Mr. Klang and the other Weston school staff and students who prevented further violence this morning.

“My thoughts and the thoughts of all Wisconsin educators, parents, and students are with the Klang family.”

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